

## Department of Veterans Affairs

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### Subpart A—General Provisions

#### § 39.1 Purpose.

This part sets forth the mechanism for a State to obtain a grant to establish, expand, or improve veterans' cemeteries that are or will be owned by the State.

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#### § 39.2 Definitions.

For the purpose of this part:

(a) *Establishment* means the process of site selection, land acquisition, design and planning, earthmoving, landscaping, construction and provision of

initial operating equipment necessary to convert a tract of land to an operational veterans' cemetery.

(b) *Expansion* means an increase in the burial capacity or acreage of an existing cemetery through the addition of gravesites and other cemeterial facilities.

(c) *Improvement* means the enhancement of a cemetery through landscaping, nonrecurring maintenance, or addition of other features appropriate to cemeteries.

(d) *Establishment, expansion and improvement* include the installation of facilities necessary for the functioning of the cemetery, such as committal-service shelters, crypts (preplaced grave liners), and columbaria.

(e) *Time-phased development plan* means a detailed, narrative description of the proposed site's characteristics, schedule for development, and estimates of costs by phases of construction.

(f) *Project* means an undertaking to establish, expand, or improve a specific site for use as a State-owned veterans' cemetery.

(g) *State* means each of the States, Territories, and possessions of the United States, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

(h) *Veteran* means a person who served in the active military, naval, or air service and who died while in service or was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable.

(i) *Secretary* means the Secretary of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

(j) *VA* means the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

(k) *State Cemetery Grants Service (SCGS)* means the State Cemetery Grants Service within VA's National Cemetery Administration.

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#### § 39.3 Decisionmakers, notifications, and additional information.

Decisions required under this part will be made by the Director, State Cemetery Grants Service, National Cemetery Administration, unless otherwise specified in this part. The VA